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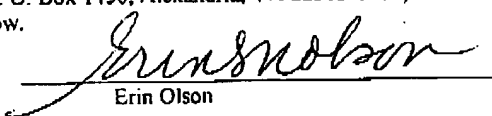
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AMENDMENT

This paper is in response to the final Office Action dated 05 July 2006, for the above-identified application. The Applicant appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and requests reconsideration and further examination in accordance with the following:

- **Amendments to the Specification**, beginning on page 2 of this paper;
- **Amendments to the Claims**, as listed in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper; and
- **Remarks**, beginning on page 7 of this paper.

A Petition for an Extension of Time (2-months) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and a *Request for Continued Examination* (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 are submitted with this paper.